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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Capt. Arthur Barnes, of North Carolina, an assistant doorkeeper of the United States Senate, found dead in his bed. ——The Fifteenth United States infantry will leave Cuba for New York about the 30th instant. ——The Brooklyn arrived at Manila yesterday, winning the race with the New Orleans. ——Gen. Buller reports his losses in the recect engagement with the Boers at 1,150 men. —— General debate on the Currency bill in the House ended yesterday; a vote will be taken Monday immediately after the reading of the journal. ——The Chatham Acadamy at Savannah, Ga., destroyed by fire; loss $75,000; fire was incendiary. ——A big sugar mill and refinery is to be erected at Tampa, Fla. ——Representative Sulzer, of New York, introduced a joint resolution in the House to accord belligerent rights to the Boers. ——Senate committee has begun investigation of the right of Senator Quay to a seat in the Senate. ——The failure of John P. Squires & Co., of Cambridge, Mass., for $3,000,000, precipitated collapse of the Broadway National Bank of Boston. ——German press and people are jubilant over the British reverses in South Africa. —— The New York markets: Money on call to-day was quoted easier at 4 per cent.; cotton quiet and steady, middling uplands 7 11-16c; flour was dull and lower; wheat—spot easy, No. 2 red 74c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 40¼c; oats—spot quiet; No. 2, 29½c; rosin steady, strained common to good $1.45; spirit turpentine quiet at 51½@ 52c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 16.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 31 degrees; 8 P. M., 40 degrees; maximum, 48 degrees; minimum, 31 degrees; mean, 40 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .38.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. 10 0 feet. Falling.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, December 16.—For North Carolina: Fair Sunday; warmer in western portion. Monday fair; warmer in eastern portion; fresh westerly winds.

Port Almanac--Dec. 17.

Sun Rises	7 09 A. M.
Sun Sets	4 45 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H 36 M.
High Water at Southport.	8 00 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington.	11.30 A. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

M. H. Curran—Santa Claus.
Dingelhoef Bros.—Xmas gifts.
S. & B. Solomon.—Umbrellas.
W. B. Cooper—Baking powder.
Ludden & Bates—Removal sale.
Imperial Bargain House—Listen.
VonGlahn & Gibson—Neckwear.
J. H. Rheder & Co.—Xmas goods.
Fishblate Clothing Co.—Overcoats.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Holiday goods.
Masonic—Meeting Concord Chapter.
Opera House—Myths of Greece and Rome.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

John G. Russell—Piano tuning.
P. H. Hayden—Buggies, harness.

Hunting Boers isn't as funny a business as some of the Britons thought it would be.

Iowa leads the corn-growing States of the west this year, with an output of $306,000,000 bushels. Kansas comes second, Nebraska third.

If the Boers keep on capturing British soldiers as they have been doing they will have to annex some British territory to make room for them.

An expansion organ exclaims: "If Aguinaldo will only get away from Luzon all will be forgiven." If we could only get Luzon away from Aguinaldo it wouldn't make so much difference whether Aguinaldo got away or not.

The Connecticut farmer who stopped his team on a railroad crossing to light his pipe didn't light it. About the time he struck a match an express train struck his wagon and landed him the other side of a wire fence.

The Washington *Post* says in slavery days the people of the South didn't have negroes to burn. They had the negroes, but in those days the negroes had not become demoralized with the associations they have had since with mean white politicians and negroes who had been schooled by these fellows.

The Louisville *Courier-Journal* says no one should complain at a short debate on the currency bill, that it has been debated for three years and the sooner it is put through the better. The tariff has been debated for thirty years, but if the Republicans undertook to run through a new tariff bill in a week's debate the L. *C. J.* would kick like a Kentucky mule.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The steamer *Seabright*, Capt. W. A. Sanders, arrived in port last evening from Little River, S. C.

— Eighteen arrests were made by the police during the past week, ten of the number of offenders being colored persons.

— Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., will hold its regular convocation Monday evening at 8 o'clock for the election of officers.

— Spencer Stanford, colored, was before the municipal court yesterday for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. He was fined $5.

— The steamer *Southport* is tied up for a day or two for a general overhauling. The *Wilmington* is making her trips to Caswell.

— Only two marriage licenses were issued by the Register of Deeds during the past week; one each to a white and a colored couple.

— Workmen for the past few days have been repairing the steamboat *Driver's* wharf, which was badly wrecked by the high tides during the November storm.

— A cash money reward awaits the delivery at the STAR office of a female setter that strayed off last Friday night. Color white, with black ears. Under medium size.

— The government tug *Cynthia* is on the ways at Skinner's shipyard for repairs to the rudder, which was broken Friday while towing mud scows from the government dredge *Ajax*.

— Messrs. A. S. Heide & Co. yesterday afternoon cleared the Italian barque *Antonio* for Cardiff with a cargo of 5,259 barrels of rosin, valued at $6,641.94, from Messrs. Murchison & Co.

— Cornelius Bloodworth, colored, was before Justice Fowler's court yesterday for the larceny of a gun and an amount of money from another negro. On account of failure of identification he was released.

— The eclipse of the moon, almost a total obscuration, occurred on schedule time last night. It was a beautiful clear night and the people of Wilmington had a fine view of the phenomenon.

— The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian Association will meet to-morrow night at the rooms of the association to make arrangements for a social event to be given at an early day.

— Col. Walker Taylor's Boys Brigade will report at the armory to-morrow night for a business meeting. New uniforms are expected to be distributed to members of the brigade on this occasion.

— A building permit was yesterday issued for the erection of a handsome two-story tin-roof residence for Mr. Jno. C. Boesch, on Princess street, between Eighth and Ninth. Messrs. Rogers & Thomas have the contract.

— Miss Maude Paddison's school at Leland, seven miles from the city, will close for the holidays with an entertainment on Friday night. An enjoyable programme will be presented, and all interested are invited to be present.

— John Rhone, the old colored man who was found on the streets in a demented condition by Policeman Woebse Friday afternoon, was sent to the County Home by Dr. W. D. McMillan, superintendent of health, yesterday.

— Articles of release from Church E. Gates & Co., of New York, through L. D. Starke, Jr., trustee, to the Cape Fear Lumber Company from a mortgage deed amounting to $30,000 were yesterday filed for registration at the court house.

— A splendid entertainment is being arranged for by the members of the Junior Epworth League of Grace M. E. Church, to take place in the lecture room of the church Thursday night. Mrs. W. H. Shaw is directing the practices.

— A runaway horse attached to a coal cart belonging to Messrs. J. A. Springer & Co., ran down Princess street, from Front, late yesterday evening. He fell at the foot of Princess street, but was extricated from the cart and was apparently uninjured.

— The British tramp steamer *Ormesby*, Captain Robinson, was cleared yesterday afternoon by Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son for Bremen, Germany, with a cargo of 9,973 bales of cotton, valued at $367,800. This is the second cargo for the *Ormesby* from this port this season.

— Residents in the eastern section of the city complain of the systematic "pranks" of an organized band of youngsters who find sport during these nights in unhinging gates and carrying them away from their yards. One cautious resident in this vicinity is said to have secured his gate Friday night with a heavy chain.

— Mr. E. P. Bailey, of the Wilmington Iron Works, Capt. John Barry, county road superintendent, and County Commissionerer W. F. Alexander yesterday went down and inspected the county line fence between New Hanover and Pender counties, preparatory to its being accepted by the county.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, Rev. A. G. Voigt pastor. English services to day, both morning and evening. Morning service with holy communion at 11 a. m. Preparatory service at 10.30 a. m. Evening service at 7 30 p. m.

Useful Xmas Presents are sold by The C. W. Polvogt Co.

COUNTERFEITING CASE CONTINUED FURTHER.

Action Against A. J. Marshall, Esq, Postponed Until January—Many Witnesses Have Been Summoned.

A. J. Marshall, Esq, against whom the case for counterfeiting is pending in the Federal Court at Raleigh, yesterday afternoon received a telegram from his counsel, Hon. F. H. Busbee, of Raleigh, stating that his case had been postponed until January, the specific date to be announced later. The session of the court at Raleigh at this term has been an unusually long one on account of the heavy docket and a recess will have to be taken, so court officials say, until after the Christmas holidays.

The continuation of the case was allowed on account of serious illness in the family of one of Mr. Marshall's counsel here, which prevents his attendance, otherwise the case would have been begun to-morrow morning, as was announced early in the week. The STAR is authorized to state that the witnesses subpœnæd to Raleigh to testify in the case need not attend on Monday as they were at first ordered.

Deputy Marshal Bunting was on the rounds again yesterday summoning witnesses for the defence, of which there are quite a number. A partial list of those summoned is Rev. Dr. Robert Strange, Frank Meier, H. A. Burr, Jr., J. T. Burke, Sam Seigler, Sam Seigler, Jr., R. E. Daniel, D. D. Cameron, John Tolar, W. A. McGowan, Capt. J. M. McGowan, Geo. T. Bland, R. J. Jones, Cas. Schnitben, Chief of the Fire Department, Jno. T. Yates, Superintendent of Fire Alarm, Jno. Wannamaker, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, Wm. Holden, J. B. King, I. H. Weil, C. E. Collins, J. J. Sternberger, L. Gay, Claude Leslie, George Roderick, George Thomas, Geo. W. Millis, Woody Howell, J. D. Smith, George Hewitt, H. L. Peterson and J. Augustus Hall.

From the fact that it is not probable that a long recess of the court will be taken for the holidays, the natural inference is that the case will be called early next month.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The Body Called Together Thursday to Act in the Interest of Better Navigation and Other Matters.

Mr. W. E. Worth, president of the Chamber of Commerce, has called a special meeting of that body to take action towards securing an increased appropriation for the improvement of the Cape Fear river and bar. It is also proposed to take steps to have the work vigorously pushed until the plans for the dredging and widening of the river channel and the dredging of the bar for the passage of vessels of greater draft can be accomplished. It is also the purpose to have the plans enlarged so as to provide for mooring grounds in the harbor—that is the dredging of a portion of the harbor to a sufficient depth and width to enable large vessels to swing around with the tide without peril to a ship from the possibility of grounding and the consequent impeding of navigation in such a contingency. It is also contemplated to secure the improvement of the navigation of the river for steamers plying between Fayetteville and Wilmington, and doing a large and growing inland traffic.

The special meeting will, furthermore, consider and act upon the suggestion to secure the establishment of a recorder's court as a remedy for the trial justice system which entails heavy costs on the county by reason of the large number of prisoners committed to jail between the periods for holding the courts.

The Chamber will also discuss other matters, and as the meeting will be a specially important one, affecting the vital interests of the port and city, it is desired that the largest possible attendance of members be urged upon our citizens.

The Artesian Well.

The contractors who are boring the artesian well at Hilton for the Clarendon Water Works Company made a progress of only three and a half feet the past week. The drill is in an awfuly haad reddish rock at a depth of one thousand two hundred and ninety-nine feet six inches. The drill has passed through one hundred and ninety-six feet six inches of rock.

He's a Wilmington Boy.

A Virginia paper notes that Mr. James Corbett has been unanimously elected president of the Junior Law Class of the Va. University for the coming year. Mr. Corbett is highly complimented for his ability and the law class upon his selection.

Young Mr. Corbett is about 23 years of age and is a Wilmington boy. He is a son of the late Mr. John Corbett and removed from this city several years ago to High Springs, Fla.

The cheapest doll carriage is sold at The C. W. Polvogt Co., also Go Carts.

Full assortment of toys are sold by The C. W. Polvogt Co.

Lace Ties 59 and 89 cents, just received by The C. W. Polvogt Co.

Extra help employed at The C. W. Polvogt Co., to wait on the holiday trade.

Cocoanuts 5c, Fresh Grated Cocoanut 10c per quart. Palace Bakery. †

COMPLETION OF THE DELGADO COTTON MILLS.

The Event Should be Celebrated in Some Way, Shape or Form—Progress of Work at the New Factory.

A STAR representative in his perambulations yesterday strolled into the big Delgado Cotton Mills which are now receiving the finishing touches.

The work of installing the machinery has made good progress during the week. The boilers and engine are up and the connections made. The cards, slubbers, speeders, drawing frames and picker, and nearly all the spinning frames, have been placed. Two hundred looms have been installed, and Mr. D. F. O'Brien, who is to be overseer of the weave room, stated that all of the 450 looms will be ready to start up about January 1st.

The D. A. Tompkins Company, of Charlotte, which has the contract for putting in the automatic sprinkler system, is making good progress with the work. The mill is to be partly supplied with water from a pool about 20 feet wide and 40 feet long, containing water eight feet deep. The pool is just below the mineral spring.

The factory village has grown into quite a pretty place, with neat and commodious houses for the overseers and operatives. An experienced mill man said yesterday that they are the best houses he ever saw on a factory plant. The company store, a large two-story building, on the west side of the shell road, is about completed.

Besides being a pretty village, the location will be a healthful one. It is well drained naturally, but in addition to the watershed, the company has had dug a splendid system of ditches. The operatives are to be supplied with water from fifteen driven wells. Six of these wells have been completed, and an analysis of the water by Prof. B. W. Kilgore, the State chemist, at Raleigh, proves that it is pure and excellent water. The wells are 35 to 40 feet deep, and in boring them it was discovered that at a depth of 28 to 30 feet the drill passed through a stratum of shell rock from eight to fifteen feet thick. Pure water is struck under the rock.

It can be said to the credit of Wilmingtons enterprising citizens that they have furnished all but $45,000 of the $275,000 capital invested in this handsome modern mill. This includes the capital of Mr. E. C. Holt, who is a citizen of Wilmington; but exclusive of his stock our own business men subscribed $175,000 to the enterprise. This speaks well for our city.

Let's Celebrate.

In view of the fact that this great enterprise is expected to begin operations, at the beginning of the new year, it would be a good idea to celebrate the event in some appropriate manner. The STAR would suggest that it would be both a proper thing and a graceful act, expressive of the community's appreciation of the value of the mill as a factor in our industrial development and as a recognition of the enterprise of the promoters and stockholders who have invested their capital in the industry, to compliment them with a banquet. Such an intertainment should be given as a manifestation of the sense of the appreciation of the city of Wilmington, and our citizens generally and our commercial bodies in particular should make a move in this direction.

The Chamber of Commerce will hold a special meeting at 3:30 o'clock next Thursday, and it is suggested that an opportunity is offered to that public spirited body to take the initial step in this matter.

The completion of the mills should by all means be celebrated in some way, and in what more fitting manner could it be done than by assembling around the festive board where good cheer would hold sway and generous sentiments be vented?

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. T. Jones, of Lenoir, was in the city yesterday.

— Dr. Charles Porter Jones, of Benson, was among last evening's arrivals in the city.

— Mr. C. A. Vaden, the hustling salesman for "Haynie's Special" cigar, is here calling on the trade.

— Mr. F. A. Garrison, travelling salesman of the Arago Coffee Company of Atlanta, is a guest of The Orton.

— Mr. J. W. Cowan, one of Burgaw's substantial citizens, was here yesterday. He has been a regular "paid up cash-in advance" subscriber to the STAR since 1888.

— Prof. John G. Miller, formerly of Miller's band, which played here several years ago, has removed with his family from Baltimore and will again make this city his home.

— Mr. C. H. Fore, of Atlanta, Ga., who came here this week to attend the funeral of Mr. J. A. Fore's eldest daughter, Eugenia, returned to his home yesterday via the Seaboard Air Line.

— Mr. J. J. Crosswell, of Fayetteville, route agent of the Southern Express Company, arrived in the city last evening and will spend Sunday with his brother, Col. Crosswell, the dirtrict superintendent.

— Miss Ann R. Baldwin, of Elkton, is in the city, visiting relatives and friends. Although she is sixty-four years old, this is her first visit here and she is highly pleased with the city and its hospitable people.

See the star decorations of The C. W. Polvogt Co.; polite attention—extra clerks,

ABOLISHMENT OF MAGISTRATE SYSTEM.

Recommendation of Chamber of Commerce Does Not Meet With Favor From Justices—Another Remedy.

Anent the discussion growing out of a recommendation of the Chamber of Commerce and other commercial bodies to abolish the present magistrates' court system and the substitution in its stead of a recorder's court, a STAR reporter had yesterday an interesting interview with a leading justice of the peace of the city.

"The evils of the system, of which there are undoubtedly many," he said, "are not traceable to the magistrates alone, and not to them alone or to the system is due the excessive jail fees upon which so much stress is laid by the commercial organizations which have seen fit to take the matter up. A magistrate cannot take jurisdiction in a case of assault with a deadly weapon, for instance, it matters not how trivial, and it is almost exclusively offenders of this class that go to make up the enormous jail fees."

"The magistrate, besides," he continued, "has certain inalienable rights granted him by the Constitution of the State, and it is not easy to determine how the promoters of the 'new order of things' proposes to dispense with this clause providing for the present system."

"The remedy," he continued, "is by enactment of the Legislature to amend the Code granting to the magistrates final jurisdiction in cases of assault with a deadly weapon when there is no serious damage done and to allow them privilege of sentencing to the county chain gang in trivial cases when such a system is established."

"There are evils attendant upon the recorder's court system," he concluded, "and from every point of view the principles outlined afford the safest, most satisfactory and most economical solution to the problem."

It is easy to see that the innovation in this regard does not meet favorable consideration by some of the magistrates, though they are free to confess that the system is defective and in some instances rendered even more objectionable by the actions of certain justices.

A STAR representative, in making inquiries of the jail expenses for the interim between the last two sessions of the Criminal Court, a period of about six months, was told yesterday afternoon by a county official qualified to know, that $370 in round numbers was the cost of board alone for the prisoners, to say nothing of other expenses.

The matter has been generally discussed for several days and it appears that it is the general opinion that there is reform needed; it differs not in what particular it comes, if the existing evils are corrected.

San Francisco Minstrels.

The celebrated "San Francisco Minstrels," which has toured the country many years, makes its initial performance in this city to-morrow evening, and will present a bill of genuine minstrelsy, with a corps of competent burnt cork artists. Four funny comedians will make their respective part of the large and grand programme gay with their witty sayings, up-to date coon songs and oddities. James E. Carroll, with a budget of funny things, is with the company, and Cook and Hall, the "Monarchs of Music;" Platte, the phenomenal male alto; Mars Louis, the Japanese wire artist, and La Tay, in "Silence and Fun," are among the large list of artists contained in a bliss of unbounded fun and amusement.

A. and M. Scholarships.

Capt. Ed. Wilson Manning, County Superintendent of Public Schools, yesterday conducted an examination for scholarships in the A. and M. College. President Winston, in calling the examination some weeks ago, stated that there were about twenty-five vacancies in the college on account of several of the counties having failed to avail themselves of the opportunity to send their quota of scholarship boys. Capt. Manning had only two applicants for examination. They were Masters Siegfried Goodman, of Wilmington, and W. F. Alexander, Jr., a son of County Commissioner Alexander.

Steamboat Inspections.

Capt. F. B. Rice, steamboat hull inspector, and Capt. E. E. Groom, steamboat boiler inspector, of the Charleston district, were here yesterday on an official tour. They inspected the steamboat *Hawes* and the tugs *Buck* and *Emma*, the latter being Mr. Charles Wessell's new boat which he built in place of the *Anna*, which was burned early in the year. Yesterday morning they inspected the pleasure yacht *Geo. R. Purdie*, Mr. S. McIntyre's boat, at the Glencoe farm in Onslow county. Capt. Rice did not return yesterday but remained over Sunday.

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The largest and cheapest line of Gent's Neckwear at the C. W. Polvogt Co.

PENSIONS FOR VETERANS.

Confederates of New Hanover Who Receive Benefits From State—Warrants Now Ready for Payment.

The pension warrants for New Hanover beneficiaries have been received by the Register of Deeds from the State Auditor and they may be secured at any time by those entitled to them by application at the office.

The total amount of pension money received annually by New Hanover veterans and their widows is only $592. Of this amount, $416 goes to the veterans themselves and $176 to widows of veterans.

Of the latter beneficiaries there are eleven, all of them being of Class No. 4, receiving $16 each per annum. The following is a list of the soldiers killed in war, or died as a result of wounds, for which their survivors receive the amounts stated above:

W. J. Beasley, Company B, Fifty-first regiment; M. W. Gore, Company B, Third; Bud Jones, Company C, Second; Joel Carroll, Company K, Thirty-sixth; D. J. Mathis, Company B, Third; Robert Davidson, Third cavalry; J. F. Herring, Wm. Hewett, Thirty-fifth; Thos. Turney, Second; T. B. Henderson, Company H, Third; T. J. Dale, Company D, Thirty-sixth.

Of the veterans themselves there are 14 in number, five of them being in Class No. 2 and receiving $48 per annum; two in Class No. 3, receiving $32 per annum, and seven in Class No. 4, receiving $16 per annum.

The names of these soldiers, their commands and the injuries received for which they are given a pension are as follows:

M. T. Davis, Company A, Fifty-fifth North Carolina State Troops, lost arm above elbow; B. S. Morgan, Company G, Sixty-first, lost leg above knee; J. J. Ketchum, Company G, Third, lost leg above knee; Jas. E. Kelly, Company K, Twentieth, arm off above elbow; S. Holden (special act of Legislature in 1899); P. H. Smith, Company F, Third, lost leg below knee; John Taylor, Company K, Thirty-sixth, left arm disabled; Jackson Davis, Company K, Fifth; Louis Taylor, Company K, First battalion; J. J. Canady, Company E, Third; J. F. A. Reaves, Company F, Third; J. M. King, Company F, Third; W. W. Rivenbark, Company F, Twentieth; W. L. Wilkins, Company G, all for wounds.

HELLO! LELAND.

The Inter-State Telephone Line Completed to That Place—A 'Phone at Navassa Guano Factory.

Mr. J. W. Gay, of Leland, was in the city yesterday and was feeling good over the fact the the Inter-state Telephone and Telegraph Company has completed its line to that place and put in a telephone, enabling the people of Leland to talk with the city. Leland is seven miles out, on the Atlantic Coast Line of South Carolina.

The Inter-state Company has also put in telephone at the Navassa Guano Company.

Mr. T. F. Simmons, manager of the Inter-state, says good progress is being made in putting up poles on the Seaboard Air Line, but there is some delay on account of getting wire fast enough to put the phones as the work progresses.

Funeral of Miss Latta.

The funeral services over the remains of Miss Maria C. Latta, whose sudden death was noted in the STAR yesterday, will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the First Presbyterian Church, of which she was for a number of years an active and consistent member. Rev. Hay Watson Smith will conduct the services, immediately after which the interment will be made in Oakdale Cemetery.

Mr. Adam Latta, a brother of the deceased, arrived last evening from New York to attend the obsequies.

Healthy Sports.

Athletics are looking up in Wilmington. There is a golf club, two ladie's basket ball associations, a Y. M. C. A. basket ball association, a lawn tennis association several foot ball elevens, and base ball clubs "from who laid the rail."

It is rumored that a shinny association is to be organized for the benefit of a wellknown Coast Liner. He feels aldtimes in his bones, and wants to borrow the links of the Cape Fear Golf Club for a game.

One hundred Kid Gloves, 75 cents, at Rehder's.

Mixed Nuts 10c per pound, Cocoanuts 5c. Fresh Ground Cocoanut 10c per quart. Palace Bakery. †

Nearly 10,000 Xmas Presents at Rehder's.

Read the advertisement of the East Carolina Real Estate Agency in this issue of the STAR. It offers for sale some very valuable farms. †

Men's fancy Vests $1.50 to $3.50 at Rehder's.

Everything for fancy work at Rehder's.

MARRIED.

CORPREW-CUMMING—At the First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C., on Tuesday afternoon, December 5th, 1899, at five o'clock, the Rev. Peyton H Hoge, D. D., of Louisville, Ky., officiating, SUE, only daughter of Mrs. Katherine Taylor and the late Capt. William A. Cumming, to MR. BURRUSS CORPREW, of Norfolk, Va.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral services of the late MISS MARIA C. LATTA will take place from the First Presbyterian Church this (Sunday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment in Oakdale cemetery.

Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M.

COMPANIONS—The regular Convocation will be held Monday evening, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.
Election of officers.
dec 17 1t W. A. MARTIN, Secretary.

A GOOD TIME AHEAD!

Xmas Is Coming, When All Will Be Glad.

Good times ahead. Xmas is coming when every body will be jolly and full of fun. We have a nice line of

Toys and Holiday Goods to Please the Children.

All kinds of Toys displayed on our counters and center table. Iron Toys Wooden Toys and Tin Toys. We can suit you in Toys if you will call and examine them. We also have a big lot of nice Books for Children. Xmas Books Also a lot of nice novels at 20 and 25 cents for Xmas presents to your best girl. Don't forget, we carry a good stock of DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, SHOES, &c. Call on us next week for bargains.

C. O. GAYLORD'S Branch Store,

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J. R. BOYD, Manager.
Bell 'Phone 557.
dec 17 tf

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Everybody Should Lay By Something for a Rainy Day, if Only a Good Umbrella. For Xmas Presents,

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S. & B. SOLOMON,
dec 17 tf Wholesale or Retail.

Store Open Until 9 O'Clock Every Evening.

Goods delivered promptly or will lay them aside and deliver on Xmas eve.

We Have Twenty-six Salesmen and Salesladies to Wait on You.

Make your purchases at the largest Department Store.

J. H. REHDER & CO.,
dec 17 tf 615, 617 and 619 North Fourth Street.

Removal Sale.

Ten Fine Upright Pianos Standard Makes.

One Baby Grand.
Four Squares.

FIFTEEN ORGANS.

All at bargain prices to be closed out by January 1st, 1900.

LUDDEN & BATES'
SOUTHERN MUSIC HOUSE,
dec 17 tf 109 Dock street.

We have just unpacked a new line of Neck wear, and other furnishings, that is handsomer than anything we have ever shown you, and that's saying a great deal. All the latest Styles, Shapes and Colors are fully represented. The prices are very moderate. More Style for the money than you ever saw before.

VONGLAHN & GIBSON,
dec 17 tf MEN'S WEAR DEPOT,
No. 120 Market St.

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For Christmas Goods.

Candies, Nuts, Raisins,
C. C. Nuts, Apples,
Cakes,
Fireworks, &c.

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WHOLESALE GROCERS.
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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON. N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, DEC. 17, 1899.

CUBA'S PROBATION.

Cuba is not attracting much attention now because we are too much occupied with the Philippine problem, with getting control of those islands and what we shall do with them when we do get control of them. But Cuba hasn't been lost sight of and isn't going to be lost sight of. That island is on probation now, not on probation, however, to become an independent Republic, but to be annexed to the United States, the only difference between it and the Philippines being that it will be annexed by at least the apparent consent of its people. The expansion organs have more or less work in the way of preparing the people of this country for the question of annexation when the time comes to spring it, and they have made the most of annexation sentiments expressed by Cubans, but they have been somewhat guarded in their utterances lest they might prematurely arouse an opposition that would be hard to overcome. There has been more or less discussion of this subject, and either a direct or indirect advocacy of it since the President's message was sent to Congress, and the vague allusions made to Cuba in that. Commenting on it, the Boston *Herald* says:

"We would doubt if any man who has given attention and thought to the Cuban situation believes that an independent government formed there in the next five years—to state the case moderately—can endure. The general, if not the universal, opinion intelligent and disinterested quarters is that, after a period of incompetent misrule, the possession of the island must gravitate to the United States. We think even the anti imperialists concede this, for it is to be observed that their efforts are confined to the opposing the annexation of the Philippines, and they leave the case of Cuba alone. Why, in the interest of all peoples, of those of Cuba and the United States, alike, shall the island be compelled to pass through a period of misgovernment, and the United States have to take her with the millions of debt that must be its accompaniment, when a better course is plainly open? Especially, why should the vital importance of recuperating Cuban industry be trifled with and delayed of realization? Is it worth while to inflict this widespread injury upon industry in order to keep the letter of a pledge, when all that was really implied in it may be better attained by taking a different course? Cuba may have every thing that is essential to the freedom and prosperity of her people, which is the essence of what we really promised her, as a part of the United States."

The *Herald* does not think it incumbent on this country to keep its pledges to the letter and all that is really required is to give the Cubans a good, stable government, under which they would be peaceful and prosper, something which it thinks the United States could do for them better than they could do for themselves, which is possibly and probably true, although a good many of the Cubans may not think so:

The Providence (R. I.) *Journal* substantially agrees with the *Herald*, although it expresses its views somewhat differently, thus:

"As the President says, free Cuba must not be a name or a hasty experiment. Surely he meant to warn us against adding Cuba to the list of mock republics sapped by internal rivalries. Perhaps he meant that annexation would be 'the essence of what we really promised her.' But he did not say so. He said something vague about 'conventional or organic' ties with Cuba and he urged that our pledge be sacredly kept. It may seem obscure to say, as he said, that the nature of our ties with Cuba 'is for the future to determine in the ripeness of events,' but that is just about as definite as the prevailing idea or the idea held by many who follow Cuban progress closely. They feel that Cuba is destined to be a part of the United States; how it is to be brought about they do not know. They are not afraid to leave that to future lawmakers. Meanwhile, it would be interesting to understand what steps the pronounced annexationists advise, what course they propose to follow, provided Cuban sentiment does not turn toward union so early as they appear to count upon its doing. Surely, the forcible annexation idea is not to be set up again to scarce the populace both here and in Cuba."

Neither the President nor any one authorized to speak for this government has ever said anything definite as to the period of American occupation. As far as they have gone on that line is to say that we must keep our pledges, and that when the people have demonstrated their ability to successfully govern themselves, then the American troops will be withdrawn and the government turned over to the people of the island. A period of about five years has been vaguely alluded to as the term of probation or tutelage, and in the meantime while these five years are passing, the annexation sentiment will be industriously cultivated, both in this country and in Cuba, where before the five years elapse the question of annexation may become an issue and be submitted, as a matter of form at least, to the people of the island.

A five years probation is simply ridiculous. If the people of the island are not now competent to govern themselves they will not be five years hence. They have never had any experience in self-government any more than the Filipinos have had, for Spain relieved them of all responsibility of that kind. They could probably govern their cities and towns and might do as well as the average people in South American Republics do in governing themselves, but that wouldn't be "stable government" according to the American idea. There are very few of the American officers who have been stationed in Cuba who have not when asked their opinion, said that they didn't believe the Cubans capable of self-government. As far as ability is concerned Admiral Dewey has expressed the opinion in an emphatic way that the Filipinos "are forty times" as well qualified to govern themselves. We have indications enough that the gentlemen who have undertaken the task of schooling the Cubans in the art of government, entertain pretty much the same opinions that the army officers to whom we have referred do.

If they mean by government, government according to the American idea, the probabilities are that a majority of the people of the United States who have given any thought to that subject agree with them; and this will be the ground on which annexation will be urged, advocated and defended. There are, no doubt, a considerable number of the people of the island who would prefer annexation to independence, on account of property interests involved, which they would consider safer under this Government than under government by the Cubans. All the Spaniards, probably all the inhabitants of other nationalities and people who have large capital invested in plantations or in other ways might prefer it, and these will become a potent factor when that question is presented. When it is presented its advocates in this country will manufacture reasons and argue as the Boston *Herald* does that the letter of pledges does not amount to much when there is any temptation to ignore the letter.

ANOTHER ELECTRIC POWER PLANT.

North Carolina is making more progress in the establishment of electric power plants than any other State in the South, or than any other State that we know of. There is one on the Yadkin, and another in process of construction. One to be erected on the Catawba, one near Asheville, one at Roanoke, one near Danbury, and another and the latest, but not the last, at Milburnie, which will transmit power to Raleigh, as we learn from the following clipped from the Raleigh *Post*:

The long cherished hope of developing one of the fine water powers adjacent to Raleigh and furnishing the city with electric power will soon be realized.

"The Raleigh Ice and Electric Company was granted articles of incorporation yesterday, with E. C. Hillyer of Newport News, Va., T. F. Eberhart and B S. Jerman of Raleigh incorporators. The amount of capital stock of the new company is $75,000.

The company has purchased the magnificient water power at Milburnie and will secure power there with which to transmit electricity to Raleigh. The company has decided to operate the electric light plant, an arc plant and a cold storage warehouse. The ice plant will be operated by electricity and electric motor will be furnished citizens.

"The new enterprise is no dream, but will soon be one of Raigh's greatest enterprises. Nothing has been undertaken in this city in many years that means more for the city. The development of the excellent water power at Milburnie is a step in keeping with the progress of the present day and time. It means that ice and electricity will be manufactured at a minimum cost, that we will get the best and that we will get both commodities at the lowest possible price."

"No time will be lost in developing the water power and putting in operation the new enterprises. Speaking of the intentions of the gentlemen behind the enterprise, Mr T. L. Eberhardt, one of the incorporators, said yesterday:

"We propose to put in this plant as early as practicable. Mr. Hillyer goes North to morrow to select the machinery. We expect to begin work at once. I have made arrangements with a contractor to accompany me to Milburnie to give me an estimate on building a dam. We expect to spend $75,000 on the plant in the next twelve months and will work with the object of making it as near perfect and complete as possible."

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PUTTING IT INTO A WEDGE.

One of the biggest steals ever launched upon Congress is the Hanna-Payne ship subsidy grab. It is a somewhat remarkable thing that if this scheme be a good and honest one some of its sturdiest opponents among the press are found in our great seaport cities, which ought to be interested in an American merchant marine and welcome any honest measure to encourage its establishment.

But the fact is this is simply an unmitigated steal, which will filch from the United States Treasury millions of dollars a year, and then will not give us a merchant marine. We have quoted extracts from some of these papers showing how they regard it. The following is from the Brooklyn (N. Y.) *Citizen*:

"Scared by the exposure of the frightful imposition on the public which their Ship Subsidy bill involved as urged at the last session of Congress and the indignation it has aroused, Payne in the House and Hanna in the Senate have concluded to modify it so that instead of beginning with a subsidy of $40,000,000 the first year and running up to $110,000,000 in the thirtieth, it provides that the annual expenditure shall not exceed $9,000,000.

"Of course, this whittling down has been done for the purpose of putting it into a wedge shape, so that it can be driven in the more readily; for, it is certain that the subsidy principle would be extended later, on the complaint of some ship men that though others were getting the benefit of the bill, they were getting none, and that such discrimination was unjust to them. But, no matter what the amount may be, the principle is the same, and it is an evil one throughout.

"It involves the taking of one man's, nay, of many men's money, to advance the business of another; and there is no argument applied in support of it that would not apply with equal force to a thousand other businesses; a fact well illustracted by the subsidy seekers who are ready to lay telegraph cables, build canals, etc., if the Government will only assure them an annual profit in the shape of a subsidy, or by a pull on the Treasury in some other way. No wonder that a Shipbuilding Trust is only waiting for the enactment of this infamous measure to announce its formation, and take advantage of the subsidy."

This is an entirely one-sided business by which the shipbuilding combine will draw $9,000,000, more or less, out of the U. S. Treasury annually and keep on drawing for a period of thirty years. In one half that time, if the statesmen who are favoring this steal would remove the restrictions which prevent Americans from buying their ships where they can do so to the best advantage, we would have a merchant marine that would hold its own with any in the world and no robbery behind it.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— A New York lawyer says that "the natural laws of commerce afford a sufficient barrier to protect the public from monopolies." That sort of talk might be expected from a Trust defender before a jury; but long is the Coal Trust for instance, to be allowed to violate the natural laws of commerce, charging the public $5 to $6 for coal that is dear at $4?—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

— How virtuous and honest Republican Senators are. They are shocked at the mere suspicion that Mr. Clark, of Montana, was elected to the Senate by bribery. True, the purity of their contention is smirched by the fact that they always applaud one of the own party when he secures a seat in that corrupt body by similar means.—*New Orleans States, Dem.*

— England's effort to subjugate the Boers has so far cost just about twice as many English soldiers as were lost in the whole course of the Transvaal war, and the British flag does not as yet float over one inch of burgher territory. These circumstances considered, it is small wonder that the people of London are suffering from a severe attack of ennuil, coupled with dyspepsia of a distressing type.— *Chicago News, Dem.*

— Rather too much stress is being placed on the question whether not we "formally" promised independence to the men who fought with us against the Spaniards at Manila. The Richmond *Dispatch* puts the matter on the right ground when it says: "There was a tacit understanding that we would give the Filipinos their freedom and independence, which was as binding upon our honor as would have been a definite spoken or written agreement." — *Charlestnn News and Courier, Dem.*

— When the Lord listens for the din of his workshop, He too often hears but a symphony of snores from the droning churches.

— I fear John Knox's prayers more than an army of ten thousand men.—*Mary of Scotland.—Christian Observer.*

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worse form of slavery. George D. Williams of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run down people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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WHAT OF THAT?

Tired! Well, what of that?
Didst fancy life was spent on beds of ease,
Fluttering the rose leaves scattered by the breeze?
Come, rouse thee! Work while it is called to day!
Coward, arise! Go forth upon thy way!

Lonely! And what of that?
Some must be lonely! 'Tis not given to all
To feel a heart responsive rise and fall,
To blend another life into its own
Work may done in loneliness. Work on.

Dark! Well, and what of that?
Didst fondly dream the sun would never set?
Dost fear to lose thy way? Take courage yet!
Learn thou to walk by faith and not by sight;
Thy steps will guided be, and guided right.

Hard! Well, what of that?
Didst fancy life one summer holiday?
With lessons none to learn, and naught but play?
Go, get thee to thy task! Conquer or die!
It must be learned! Learn it then patiently.

No help! Nay, it's not so?
Though human help be far, thy God is nigh,
Who feeds the ravens, hears His children cry,
He's near thee, wheresoe'er thy footsteps roam,
And He will guide thee, light thee, help thee home.

—*Detroit Free Press.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Red Springs *Record*: The farmers in this section are sowing a large acreage in wheat and oats, thereby exhibiting good sense and prudent foresight.

— Wadesboro *Messenger-Intelligencer*: Mr. J. C. McLendon, who lives near Lilesville, was brutally assaulted and robbed by a negro Monday night. The negro is supposed to live near Mangum, but has not yet been arrested.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: After an illness of a few days, Mr. S. L. Hart, of Edgecombe county, died Friday morning at his home near Tarboro. Though not confined to his bed long, yet he had never fully recovered from an attack of pneumonia while in Raleigh last winter.

—Carthage *Blade*: A short time ago worthless dogs killed in one night 14 goats of Mr. M. K. Currie.—— Mr. Tal Fields a few days ago killed the hawk that has been heard of in this section. It measured 4 feet and 4 inches from tip to tip and three inches across the back of the head.

— Winston *Sentinel*: Mr. Tipton Woods, sawmill at Khades' sawmill in Walnut Grove township, Wilkes county, was killed last Saturday, by the saw throwing a loose piece against his breast. He lived only an hour or so after accident. —— Mrs. George Burk, a widow lady, aged 70 years, was found dead this morning in her residence adjoining the old Zevely hotel, in Salem. A post Mortem examination was held by Dr. Linville and jury, the verdict being reached that her death was due to apoplexy. It is thought that Mrs. Burk died last Saturday, since when she had not been seen alive. She lived alone.

— Monroe *Enquirer*: The cotton seed oil mill started last Saturday afternoon and is now running on full time. The capacity of the mill is forty tons of seed per day which makes from 1200 to 1300 gallons of oil.—— A car load of ore was shipped from the Black mine in in Vance township, to New York a few days ago. The ore is valued at $130 60 per ton Gold, silver, lead and copper are the metals found in the ore.—— A mad dog on the streets yesterd y morning caused a great deal of excitement. Luther Smith, a colored boy, was bitten by the dog and another colored boy was attacked and his clothing torn. Several dogs were bitten. The rabid dog was killed about four miles north of town. —— Mr. W. M. Starnes, who lives at Altan, seven miles south of Monroe, Had his barn and all its contents destroyed by fire about 1 o'clock Sunday mornihg. A mule, a one-horse wagon, about seventy-five bushels of corn and a lot of forage were the contents of the building. There was no insurance. The fire was evidently the work of an incendiary.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. Thomas' Church: First mass and holy communion, 7 A. M.; high mass and sermon, 10.30 A. M.; vespers, sermon on "Indulgences," 7.45 P. M.

First Baptist Cuurch, Rev. C. S. Blackwell, D. D. 11 A. M. "Buy the truth and sell it not." At 7:30 P. M., "Mormonism or the romance of superstition.'"

Services in St. John's Church today, third Sunday in Advent, by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael. Holy communion, 7.45 A. M.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 o'clock. Sunday school, 3.30 P. M.

St. James Church, third Sunday in Advent. Services to-day: 7:45 A. M., holy communion; 11 A. M., morning prayer, litany, sermon. 5 P. M., evening prayer; Sunday school at 3:45. Public cordially invited.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, North Fourth street above Bladen. Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Morning services at 11 o'clock. No services at night. Sunday school at 9:30 A. M. All seats free, and every person welcome.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— A grateful thought towards heaven is of itself a prayer.

— Men who come hungry for righteousness cannot be satisfied with rhetoric.

— He enjoys much who is thankful for little; a grateful mind is both a great and happy mind.

— God has two dwellings—one in heaven, and the other in a meek and thankful heart.

— Prayer will make a man cease from sin, or sin will entice a man to cease from prayer.—*Bunyan.*

— Prayer pulls the rope below and the great bell rings above in the ears of God.—*Spurgeon.*

Prevented A Tragedy.

Timely information given Mrs. George Long, of New Straitsville, Ohio, prevented a dreadful tragedy and saved two lives. A frightful cough had long kept her awake every night. She had tried many remedies and doctors but steadily grew worse until urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle wholly cured her, and she writes this marvelous medicine also cured Mr. Long of a severe attack of pneumonia. Such cures are positive proof of the matchless merit of this grand remedy for curing all throat, chest and lung troubles. Only 50c and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles 10c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

DEATH IS PAINLESS.

THE ACTUAL PARTING WITH LIFE A PEACEFUL TRANSITION.

Experiences Which Show the Panorama Which Flits Before the Dying Brain as the Lamp of Life Burns Itself Out.

Despite the wise teachings and noble example of Socrates and despite the positive assertions of the best medical authorities most people look with fear and trembling toward the moment which separates time and eternity for mankind—the moment of death. Physicians have long since established the fact that death itself is a relief, a beautiful and by no means painful transition, but they have also laid stress upon the fact that this dissolution must not be confounded with the symptoms of disease which precede death.

The question as to what transpires in mankind during the approach of death has been the subject of many studies and researches, and a number of French scientists, among them V. Egger, Dr. Sollier and De Varigny, have collected material that could be reached upon this point and published it in a pamphlet issued in Paris. Naturally the material is but scant, but nevertheless furnishes an interesting contribution to the great issue—the moment of death.

The French publication gives a number of statements by intelligent and observing persons who were rescued from death at the last moment. These statements are confined to accidents and do not refer to exhaustion resulting from old age, but even in the case of the latter the experts claim to be justified in the assertion that where the power of life gradually fades away death is no more painful than in the case of people who in the fullness of vitality confront the great destroyer.

A number of the instances cited in the publication are connected with the experiences of lion hunters in Algiers, who have been actually within the grasp of the claws and the terrible teeth of the king of animals.

Similar experiences are related by persons who were in imminent danger of drowning, One of them, a physician himself, tells how his boat capsized in a rushing stream and how he, after heroic but fruitless efforts to save himself, redoubled by the knowledge that he was rapidly carried toward a roaring cataract, drifted unresistingly in a sort of peaceful semiconsciousness until rescue came. In all these instances, where accident brought people of well balanced mind suddenly face to face with death, there is the one consensus of thought that before the mind's eye of such people all the important events of their life, almost their entire life, so to say, passes in a moment. This is in accordance with life in a dream, where a single instant suffices to comprise an almost endless chain of events.

Professor Heine of the Zurich university, an indefatigable mountain climber, had the experience of a fall into a steep abyss. He was rescued by what seemed to be a miracle, and he immediately set to work to gather the experiences of others who hau been in the same position. They all agreed.

"What I felt in the few seconds of my fall," says Professor Heine, "would take hours to relate. All taoughts and mind pictures were of a marvelous distinctness and clearness. A long train of means to break the tremendous rush of the fall occurred to me first, and next there passed before my mind all the events of my life, realistic as in a kinetoscope,"

Whymper, an English Alpine tourist of renown, fell from a height of over 200 feet. "I was perfectly conscious of what happened to me," he states, "and I counted every jolt I got from protruding cliffs, but, like a chloroformed patient, I felt no pain. Each repeated jolt of course was greater than tne preceding one, and I remember quite well how I calculated that if the next jolt should be still more severe the end would come. But the most wonderful experience was that in this tremendous rush through space the air pressure, which must have been terrible, was not at all disagreeable.'

Admiral Beaufort of the British navy relates what he felt when he once fell overboard. "From the moment my efforts to save myself ceased," he said, "the awful thought of death passed away like magic and gave place to perfect rest. This was apathy, pure and simple, and not resignation, for it never occurred to me that drowning was a misfortune. I did not think of rescue, and yet I did not suffer, On the contrary, my sensations were rather pleasant."

Darwin, who as a competent observer has few peers if any, relates that he once fell from a garden wall only seven or eight feet high, and he says that a reproduction of the thoughts which passed his mind in the brief moment of the fall would fill a volume.

If these phenomena of panoramic views of past life are closer examined, the French scientists say, the conclusion is irresistible that the visions are limited to a few scenes which are later on enlarged by the imagination. Children, whose life comprises less numerous and clearer elements, never have these reminiscences. Almost invariably their only thought is that they will not see their parents again.

Dr. Sollier reports the case of a confirmed opium eater, a girl of unusual brightness in her sober moments. He treated her after the method which cuts off the use of the drug at once and which involves repeated stages of unconsciousness of the outer world. After each return to her senses the patient, who was firmly convinced that she must die, stated that her sensations were not only free from pain, but positively beautiful.

Usually the death struggle is painless. The dying complain rarely. Even if consciousness appears to be clear, the dying are in the past rather than in the present, and the perfect rest which is often taken as a product of a strong will power is in reality a sign of absolute insensibility. "If I only had the power to wield a pen," murmured the dying William Hunter, "I would use it to express how easy and restful it is to die."—Chicago Tribune.

WOOD FLOUR IN DYNAMITE.

Its Use In Germany as a Substitute For Infusorial Earth.

The state department at Washington some time ago instructed several consuls to report in regard to the use of wood flour in the manufacture of explosives, says the New York Sun. Consul General Mason writes from Berlin as follows:

"There is no manufacture of dynamite in Berlin, but from the representative of a firm in Saxony it has been ascertained that wood flour has been used in the manufacture of dynamite as a cheap substitute for infusorial earth, which is the standard material for that purpose. The entire German supply of infusorial earth comes from one source at Luneberg, between Hamburg and Hanover, and when that material became scarce and expensive by reason of increased demand experiments were made with wood flour as a substitute. From the best information that can be obtained it is regarded as distinctly inferior to infusorial earth for making explosives and is only used when extreme cheapness of product is desirable or the infusorial earth cannot be obtained.

"Wood flour has also been somewhat extensively used in the manufacture of linoleum, a kind of floor cloth made by laying a coating of hardened linseed oil mixed with ground cork on a canvas net or backing, but here again it was found to be hard, inelastic, and for that reason inferior to cork meal, so that its use has been, so far as can be ascertained, abandoned by most German makers of linoleum. If used at all for this purpose, it is done secretly and would be regarded as an adulteration.

"The third and by far the most important use of wood flour in Germany is for the manufacture of papyrolite or xylotite, a kind of artificial flooring, which is extensively produced by several large firms and companies in Germany."

— When a man has an ideal it carries him higher than a mere aim, and never allows him to be content with the perfunctory putting forth of his powers. An ideal is an invitation to come up higher, a beckoning of the possibilities open to him who has it.—*Dr. Withrow.*

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		6½	6¾
Standard		6½	6¾
Burlaps		5	5½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔		12½	15
Sides ℔ ℔		5½	6
Shoulders ℔ ℔			6
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔		5½	6
Shoulders ℔ ℔			6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		1 15	1 20
New New York, each			1 35
New City, each			1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔			25
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M		5 00	7 00
Northern		9 00	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔		21	22½
Northern		27	30
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks		46	47½
Virginia Meal			47½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle			1 10
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm		18	25
Adamantine		8	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory		16	18
Dairy Cream			18
State		14	15
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra		12½	15
Rio		7	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard			5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s			70
EGGS—℔ dozen		18	20
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel		22 00	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl		11 00	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel		16 00	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl		8 00	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel		13 00	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel		3 75	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel			3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg		3 00	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔		5	10
Extra		4 35	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade			3 00
Choice			3 50
Straights		3 75	3 90
First Patent		4 25	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔		12½	15
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White		52	53½
Car-load, in bgs—White			50
Oats, from store		38	40
Oats, Rust Proof			45
Cow Peas		60	75
HIDES ℔ ℔—			
Green salted			6½
Dry flint		10	12½
Dry salt			10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay		85	90
Rice Straw		40	50
Eastern		80	85
Western		80	85
North River		80	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔		3½	4
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern		6	6½
North Carolina		8	10
LIME, ℔ barrel		1 15	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed		18 00	20 00
Rough edge Plank		15 00	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality		13 00	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned		18 00	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n		14 00	15 00
Common mill		5 00	6 50
Fair mill		6 50	8 00
Prime mill		8 50	10 00
Extra mill		10 00	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead			35
Barbadoes, in barrels			38
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		28	30
Porto Rico, in barrels		25	30
Sugar House, in hogsheads		13	14
Sugar House, in barrels		14	15
Syrup, in barrels		15	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis		2 80	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		10 00	10 50
Rump			9 50
Prime			9 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔		10	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum			1 25
Liverpool		90	95
American		85	90
On 125 ℔ Sacks			80
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M		5 00	6 50
Common		1 60	3 25
Cypress Saps		2 50	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd		5¼	5¼
Standard A		4¾	5
White Extra C			4¾
Extra C, Golden			4¼
C, Yellow			4⅛
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern		3½	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel		6 00	14 00
R. O. Hogshead			10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		9 00	10 00
Mill, Prime		7 50	8 75
Mill, Fair		6 50	7 00
Common Mill		5 00	6 00
Inferior to ordinary		3 5	5 00

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 16.—Money on call to-day was quoted easier at 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange was steady; actual business in bankers' bills 487½@487¾ for demand and 481½@481¾ for sixty days. Posted rates were 482½ and 488½. Commercial bills were 481. Silver certificates 59@59¼. Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars 47½. Government bonds steady. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds weak. U. S. 2's, reg'd, 102; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¾; do. coupon, 109¾; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 133¾; do. coupon, 133¾; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 113¾; do. coupon, 114½; U. S. 5's, registered, 112¾; do. coupon, 112¾; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 104; Southern Railway 5's 107½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 51½; Chesapeake & Ohio 29¾; Manhattan L 96½; N. Y. Central 127⅞; Reading 17¾; do. 1st preferred 52¼; St. Paul 118; do. preferred 169½; Southern Railway 11½; do. preferred 52½; American Tobacco, 98¾; do. preferred 141; People's Gas 103; Sugar 129⅞; do. preferred 113; T. C. & Iron 80; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. preferred 75½; Western Union 87½.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 16.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 45. Spirits turpentine quiet at 51½@52c.

CHARLESTON, December 16.—Spirits turpentine firm at 48c; sales — casks; no receipts. Rosin firm; sales — barrels. Prices unchanged.

SAVANNAH, December 16.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 48½c; sales 337 casks; receipts 1,174 casks; exports 3,488 casks. Rosin firm; sales 4,778 barrels; receipts 6,110 barrels; exports 1,374 barrels; A, B, C, D, $1 10; E, $1 15; F, $1 25; G, $1 30; H, $1 40; I, $1 45; K, $1 50; M, $1 80; N, $2 25; W G, $2 75; W W, $3 60.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 16.—The cotton market opened steady with prices two to six points lower, and soon became feverish under quite active liquidation by Wall street commission houses. Bear selling helped to force a further decline of three to five points, after which the market rallied a few points on profit-taking by shorts and lull in long selling. The decline was primarily due to a sudden down turn in Liverpool, under reported English reverses in South Africa. The unsettled condition of the world's stock and money markets added to the apprehension of local holders. The market for futures closed barely steady, with prices three to eight points lower.

NEW YORK, December 16.—Cotton quiet and steady; middling uplands 7 11-16c.

Futures closed barely steady: December 7.20, January 7.25, February 7.31, March 7.38, April 7.41, May 7.44, June 7.44, July 7.45, August 7.41, September 7.05, October 6.94, November 6.94.

Spot cotton closed quiet and steady; middling uplands 7 11-16c; middling gulf 7 15-16c; sales 276 bales.

Net receipts 657 bales; gross receipts 669 bales; exports to the Continent 251 bales; stock 110,123 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 31,859 bales; exports to Great Britain 22,294 bales; exports to France 7,295 bales; exports to the Continent 1,051 bales; stock 1,091,150 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 31,859 bales; exports to Great Britain 22,294 bales; exports to France 7,295 bales; exports to the Continent 1,051 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 3,525,706 bales; exports to Great Britain 914,581 bales; exports to France 405,887 bales; exports to the Continent 961,667 bales.

December 16.—Galveston, steady at 7 5-16c, net receipts 5,799 bales; Norfolk, nominal at 7¾c, net receipts 2,092 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7 11-16c, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 7 11-16c, net receipts 830 bales; Wilmington, steady at 7¼, net receipts 1,498 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 7 15-16c, receipts 50 bales; Savannah, quiet at 7 3 16c, net receipts 3,755 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 7 5-16, net receipts 14,531 bales; Mobile, easy at 7 3 16c, net receipts 1,612 bales; Memphis, quiet and steady at 7¾c, net receipts 2,675 bales: Augusta, steady at 7 5 16c, net receipts 987 bales; Charleston, steady at 7¼, net receipts 535 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 16.—Flour was dull and 5@10 points lower to sell. Minnesota patents quoted $3 80@4 00. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red 74c; do. at elevator 72c; options opened easy at ⅛c decline from last night, influenced by the bearish government crop report and short selling, a fair visible supply in stock for Monday. Estimates for world shipments had little effect and the market closed dull and easy at ⅛c net decline; May 74 5 16@74 7 9-16c; closed 74¼c Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 40¾; options opened easy at ⅛c net decline with wheat and closed with a break in hog products. Closed easy at ⅛c net decline; May 38⅜@38⅝,

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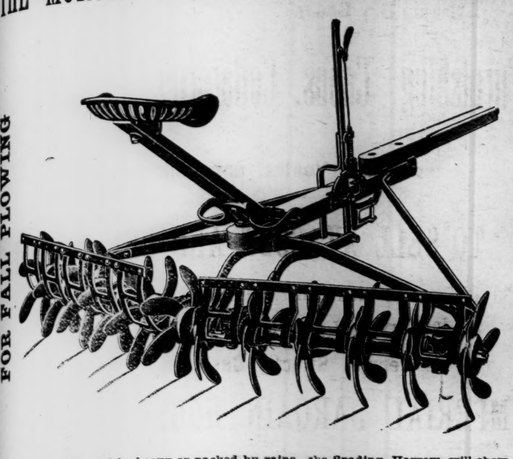

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Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A.M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 9:34 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A M. Arrives Rockingham 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.06 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

Train 40—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Greenville 7:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., Weldon 11:02 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:13 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 40—Leaves Charlotte 8:10 A. M. Arrives Monroe 9:22 A. M., Shelby 10:10 A. M., Ruther fordton 11:25 A. M.

Train 39—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:40 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:53 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:30 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 40—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 8:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:19 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 3:00 P. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M. Portsmouth 7:25 A. M.

Train 39—Leaves Portsmouth 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Rockingham 8:19 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 8:40 P. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

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Sunflower Seed For Cattle Food.

Sunflowers are no longer to be regarded as mere garden ornaments with a faculty for turning their heads so that their large, full faces are aimed always at the sun. The plant is a big, oily, gold producing article of commerce and has its own peculiar points of growth and management. It has just been learned in England that sunflower seed is the most fattening of all foods for cattle. Several farmers there are coining money by raising the plant wholesale for market. Within a mile of the principal farm in the southern counties there are more sunflowers probably than in all other parts of the world. The farms look like great yellow mists when viewed from Edgeton hill, 20 miles away.

There are 500 acres of sunflowers altogether, and when the ripe heads are cut in the fall the crop will yield about 300 wagon loads of seed. The market value of the seed is $50 a load—a total income of $15,000 for the crop. The seed is crushed and pressed into cattle cakes. To raise these great sunflower crops the fields must first be fertilized with calf bone dust. That is an expensive feature. Twenty men are employed in the bone grinding mill.

The fields have to be watched closely while the flowers are ripening. Blackbirds, starlings and especially sparrows know the fattening qualities of the seed and immense flocks of the birds come from all points of the compass to feast upon the growing crop. Boys are posted around the edges of the plantations during that period to scare the feathered thieves away.

West Indian Cattle.

Some of the stockmen who have recently visited Cuba and Porto Rico have expressed their surprise at the large size of the native cattle, there having been no attempt made to improve them by the use of bulls of the beef breeds. It must be remembered, however, that the abundant supply of highly nutritious pasturage throughout the year and the mild winters of the West Indies permit the calf to grow to maturity without any check. This alone is enough to account for the large size attained by range cattle on those islands. The native stocks in Texas have degenerated from taxing the ranges too heavily and from the stunting effect of winter on young stock. With the food and climate which the Porto Rico cattle enjoy they ought to be large.—Live Stock.

FALL PASTURES.

Advantages of Some of the Cereal Grains.

The present is a good time to consider the methods of supplying ample pasture for stock this fall, says Professor W. A. Henry. If there is any possibility of scant pastures from the means already available, let one of the present grainfields be devoted to that purpose. As soon as the grain crop is harvested let the land be prepared by plowing and reducing to the finest possible condition. On this well made seed bed sow oats, wheat, rye or barley, the last named being far preferable. Where one wishes to gain both fall and spring pasture, rye will be found satisfactory. Where fall pasture only is desired, by all means let barley be sown. When sown in midsummer, rye and wheat plants are apt to show red rust in the hot weather, and this is a serious drawback in many cases.

Barley is a wonderful plant in many particulars. Next to rye, it grows nearest to the north pole of any cereal in Europe, and still it flourishes in Arabia and other hot countries. Sown in midsummer, young barley plants will in a short time reach a height where they can be pastured off, and a barley pasture will hold good until late in the fall. On several occasions the writer of this has seen barley which was sown in July head out in the fall, and last season a sample of mature barley grains was sent to us grown from the second crop. This, of course, is unusual, but it shows what may happen. The first freezes of fall do far less harm to young barley plants than to wheat or oats, and this is an additional advantage.

Few farmers realize how advantageously some of the cereal grains may prove for pasture purposes. They are apt to think of them only as grain producers, when in truth wheat, rye, oats and barley are all grass plants as much as timothy and blue grass, though they do not form quite as dense sod. It is well to bear in mind the secondary value which these plants possess and use them whenever necessity or opportunity requires.

Grasses and clovers can usually be sown along with these grains, with a good "catch" as the result. I think that experience will show that even when the barley or oats are pastured off the grasses and clovers will still hold, and thus one can get a pasture crop and a catch of grass the same season. More experience is needed on these points, but the subject is an interesting one for those who are studying to increase the capacity of each field of his farm until all are made to produce to the utmost.

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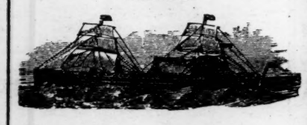

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Net Profits, - - - - 15,000

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ASSETS.

Cash in vault and in other banks	$268,830 50
Secured loans and discounts	282 349.72
U. S bonds and other cash assets	16 850.00
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RESOURCES.

Loans	$ 838,971.54
Overdrafts	8 79
U. S. Bonds (at par)	95,600.00
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000.00
Due from app'd res've agt's $ 79,150.98	
Due from other banks 169,150.99	
Cash on hand 79,331.51	327,632 78
Total	$1,292,283.11

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	101,784.40
Circulation	41,040.00
Dep. site U. S. Treas. $ 50,000.00	
Deposits from Banks 207 693 55	
Deposits from individuals 731,715.16	
Certificates of Deposit 35,000.00—1,024,408.71	
Total	$1,292,283.11

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Dec. 2, '97.	Dec. 2, '98.	Dec. 2, '99.
Total deposits	$672,000	$874,500	$1,024,000
Surplus and net profit	76,200	87,500	101,784

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ATLANTIC & YADKIN RAILWAY.

Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 28 p m
2 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 12 p m
10 38 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 54.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 55.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 59 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46		No. 47.
South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	8 20 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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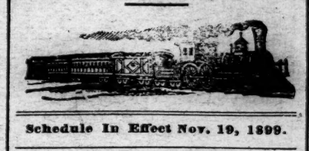

Schedule In Effect Nov. 19, 1899.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A M — No 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11 53 A. M., Goldsboro 12.26 P M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.39 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5 55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.53 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7 01 A. M., Baltimore 8.33 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.53 P. M., Chadbourn 5.33 P. M Marion 5 34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. — Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12 12 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1 43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.59 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York 7.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2 50 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 7.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M Rocky Mount 12.53 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.19 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11 33 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., Washington 3.05 P M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 5.15 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.55 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.25 A M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 7.15 P M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6 40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.06 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. — Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9 58 A. M., Hope Mills 10 42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4 40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 9.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9 30 A. M. 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10 10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 11 32 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.50 P. M

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A., Dillon 10.56 A M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.35 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.18 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M. Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.30 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.09 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 8.20 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.38 P M., arrive Selma 2.43 P. M. 11.10 P. M. Smithfield 3.02 P. M. Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.35 P. M., 1.21 A. M. Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.54 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 9.45 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.40 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.52 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.08 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	8 37	9 00
7 08	7 07	Morehead City.	7 22	7 27
P.M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 9.00 P. M. and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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The Morning Star.
WILMINGTON, N. C.
SUNDAY MORNING, DEC. 17, 1899.

BRITISH LOSSES AT TUGELA RIVER.

General Buller's Report On the Disastrous Affair Near Colenso.

THE LIST OF CASUALTIES.

Killed, Wounded and Missing Number 1,097—A Large Proportion Officers. More Reports of Fighting at Kimberley and Mafeking.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 16.—General Buller reports to the War Office that his losses in yesterday's engagement were—killed 82, wounded 667, missing 348—a total of 1067.

The revised list of the British casualties at the battle of Magersfontein shows the total to be 963, of which number seventy were officers.

LONDON, December 16.—The War Office late to-night issued the following list of General Buller's casualties:

Killed—Field artillery, Capt. A. H. Goldie and Lieut. C. B. Schurieber; Dublin Fusiliers, Capt A. H. Bacon and Lieut. R. C. B. Henry; Inniskilling Fusiliers, Maj. J. F. W. Charley and Capt. Frank C. Loftus; medical corps, Capt. M. I. Hughes; Thorney Croft's mounted infantry, Lieut. C. M. Jenkins.

Officers wounded—Devonshire regiment, five; Rifle brigade (the Prince Consort's own), one; Fifth brigade, staff, one; Inniskilling Fusiliers, eight; Border regiment, three; Connaught rangers, two; Dublin Fusiliers, three; Irish Fusiliers, one; horse artillery, one; field artillery, five; medical corps, one; mounted infantry, three; Natal caribineers, two; South African light horse, two.

Officers taken prisoners or missing—Field artillery, five; Devonshire regiment, three; Essex regiment, one; Royal Scots Fusiliers, six; Royal artillery, three.

Fighting at Modder River.

MODDER RIVER, December 16.—The Ninth brigade, under Col. Pole Carew, the Grenadier Guards and a squadron of the Twelfth made a reconnoissance this morning, supported by the Sixty-fifth battery howitzers on the center and right, four naval 12 pounders on the left. A 4.7 naval gun on the right opened fire at 5 30. While the brigade deployed across the plain the howitzers and the naval gun shelled the Boer trenches and searched the ridges.

The Boers unmasked two guns, one of which was dismantled by the naval gun, the second being impossible to touch. No one was killed.

The Boers are further entrenching and strengthening their old defences with the evident intention of fiercely disputing control of the railroad.

Boer Advices From Mafeking.

PRETORIA, December 14.—General Syman reports from Mafeking under date of Wednesday, December 13th, that British attacked a Boer fort. The Boer casualties were one man killed and one wounded.

The dispatch also says that Commandant Schoemann had a brush with the British on Tuesday, 12th, at the Geldenhuis farm, which the British were bombarding on Wednesday.

The condition of General Joubert, who is ill at Volksrust, is improving. The Transvaal government is employing natives to work the mines, paying them one pound a month and feeding them.

German People Jubilant.

BERLIN, December 16.—The German press and people are jubilant over the news from South Africa, and everywhere in the streets people stop each other and offer congratulations. Among the press comments to night is that of the *Kreuz Zeitung*, which says: "Thus the fighting power of the third column is destroyed and the campaign against the Boers is disastrously ended. What, however, means more, is that England's decadence, long ago apparent to far-sighted states men, has thus become visible before the whole world.""

The *Vossische Zeitung* says: "The English yesterday met the greatest defeat in this campaign, so productive of disappointments and losses."

ROME, December 16.—Gen. Buller's reverse produced a profound impression in all circles here, where it is regarded as most serious for the military prestige of England. The afternoon papers devote long articles to the subject.

FAILURES IN BOSTON.

The Broadway National Bank Collapsed On Account of Failure of the John P. Squire Company.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, MASS., December 16.—As a result of the failure of the John P. Squire Company, (corporation), of Cambridge, for $3,000,000, which was announced late yesterday afternoon, the Broadway National Bank here, in which the Squires were largely interested, did not open its doors to day, and a notice at the entrance stated that the affairs of the bank were in the hands of the comptroller of the currency. The news circulated widely and all sorts of wild rumors were set afloat.

The bank was incorporated in 1853. Its last statement, a week ago, showed a capital of $200,000; loans, $1,995,000; circulation, $45,000; individual deposits, $2,348,000; due banks, $131,000; due from reserve agents, $274,000; due from banks, $168,000; expenses clearing house, $273,000; legal tenders, $158,00; specie, $113,000.

Cashier Curtiss, of the Broadway bank, said to day the bank was solvent, that it had actually $600,000 in cash this morning, and that all the heavy depositors had expressed their confidence in the institution.

FIRE AT SAVANNAH.

Chatham Academy Burned—An Incendiary Blaze—Loss $75,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 16.—The Chatham Academy, the central building of the public school system, and the largest school house in the city, covering half a block, was destroyed by fire before daylight this morning. The loss will approximate 75,000, with insurance of about $40,000. There is no doubt that the fire was incendiary. During the past week attempts at incendiarism have been made on several of the city school buildings.

The East Carolina Real Estate Agency will sell for cash, or will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington, a farm of 272 acres, three miles from Rose Hill. Address R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N.C. †

CURRENCY BILL. DEBATE CLOSED.

A Vote Will be Taken Upon the Measure To-morrow Morning.

LENTZ'S SENSATIONAL SPEECH

Dramatic Scene—Trap Set by Republican Leaders for Minority, to Show That Discord Existed On Money Question—An Amendment.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The six days debate upon the currency bill closed in a sensational manner. The Republican leaders had evidently set a trap for the minority to show that discord existed on the money question, and it was timed so as to make the scene as dramatic as possible. Just at the close of the debate to day, three of the heavy weights—General Grosvenor of Ohio, Mr. Dalzell of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Dolliver of Iowa—were put forward to call the attention of the country to the fact that in the long debate very little had been heard about free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 from the minority side of the House, and that no one had offered an amendment containing such a proposition. Mr. Grosvenor said it was one of the evidences of the coming regeneration of the Democratic party. Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, indignantly denied any intention of abandoning silver and called attention to the fact that under the special order under which the House was operating neither a substitute nor a motion to recommit was in order. Then Mr. Dalzell challenged a member of the opposition to offer a free coinage amendment. In response half the Democratic membership rose and demanded the privilege, but here and there was an Eastern Democrat shouting his disapproval. There were cries of "Bluff" from the Democratic side, but the Republicans, after the parliamentary obstacles had been removed, through Mr. Overstreet who was in charge of the bill, asked unanimous consent for an amendment to the rule to permit the amendment to be offered. Then Mr. Driggs and Mr. Levy, two New York Democrats, blocked the game with objections. No amendments were offered to the bill to-day and only one section of the bill was read. The whole time was occupied in five minutes speeches. The incidents of the day were sensational speeches by Mr. Lentz, Democrat of Ohio, denouncing the prosecution of the war in the Philippines and charging an alliance between Great Britain and the United States to subvert liberty—one in South Africa and one in the Orient—and an attack upon the memory of ex-President Hayes by Mr. Clark, Democrat, Missouri. Mr. Brown, an Ohio Republican, warmly defended the memory of Mr. Hayes.

Vote Will be Taken Monday.

The vote upon the Currency bill will be taken immediately after the reading of the journal on Monday. Mr. Overstreet, in charge of it, says it will have thirty-five majority. He says eight Democrats will vote for it and seven will not vote either way.

The debate was enlivened by a bout between Mr. Brown, Republican, Ohio, and Mr. Clark, Democrat, Missouri, over the latter's references to the late President Hayes. Mr. Brown paid a glowing tribute to the memory of Mr. Hayes.

In reply Mr. Clark declared that Mr. Hayes was a "counterfeit President," for whom he had a supreme contempt, even though he was dead. "He stole the presidency," said he savagely, "the greatest crime in the tide of time. I wish he could have lived forever and borne the scorn of decent men to the end of the world. His sepulchre should bear the words: 'This man was guilty of the monumental crime against human liberty.' Now," concluded Mr. Clark as he returned to his seat, "if they can make anything of that let them make it." Mr. Clark's words were received in silence on both sides of the House.

Lentz's Sensational Speech.

Mr. Lentz, of Ohio, charged that the pending bill had been prepared by the 3,600 national banks, a secret combination that wielded more influence than the Masonic fraternity, the Odd Fellows and the Red Men combined. The bill was intended to increase power of the National banks. All the rest that was in it was already in the law. As he proceeded, Mr. Lentz's remarks became sensational. "We are in favor of renominating William Jennings Bryan," said he "and we will put in a plank against trusts, we will put in a plank against imperialism, and we will put in a plank against the British alliance—an alliance that is now open and apparent. (Applause on the Democratic side.) They are shooting down liberty in South Africa while you are shooting them in the Philippine islands. (Applause on the Democratic side.) That is evidence sufficient that both governments are operating upon parallel lines. The first blossom of liberty in the Orient to be cut off by the Republican party of the United States; the first substantial struggle for liberty in Africa to be mowed down in its in fancy by the Queen of England, with the Czar asking for a peace conference. If things are not inside out, how can the Republican party stand impotent and silent while England is shooting to death a republic in South Africa and while under the military and imperialistic powers that patronage had delivered to the President here, the crime of crimes is being committed under the stars and stripes of the Union. The President, at Madison, Wis., said 'one small fraction of one small tribe resists our authority in the Orient.' Ay! My friends, with an army there and on the way of 75,000 men to subdue one small fraction of one small tribe; an army larger than Sherman needed to march to the sea; an army larger than Grant needed to take Vicksburg, is now called into requisition and kept there for nearly a year to subdue one small fraction of one small tribe! Is that the source of your prosperity? Is your Egan pension of $75,000 for being reduced, degraded and dishonored; is your beef trust that murdered 4,800 men while the Spaniards only killed 350, is that the source of your prosperity? [Applause on the Democratic side.] Is your humiliation of the man who won the most magnificent naval victory that the world has seen, Winfield Scott Schley [applause on the Democratic side], is that the source of your prosperity? Is your subordination of Brooke and Miles and Merritt, the men who had been trained, together with their associates, at an expense of millions of dollars to this country, and the putting of politicians in the army-saddle; is that the cause of your prosperity? [Applause on the Democratic side.] You will live to be ashamed of your record."

Telegram From Wm. J. Bryan.

Mr. Gaines, of Tennessee, produced the following telegram from Wm. J. Bryan, denying a reported interview with him:

"*Austin, Texas, December* 16—Hon. John W. Gaines, Washington, D. C.—Have seen report in morning paper but do not recall any interview which is the language criticised. Have said that bill is bad in every particular and should be defeated, but have not said that it would hurt the Democratic party or Democracy. Believe it will injure the country, and it ought to drive out of the Republican party all sincere believers in bimetallism.

"W. J. BRYAN."

Dearmond's Amendment.

Mr. Dearmond closed the debate on the Democratic side. He declared that the minority side believed that the bill was designed to create a huge, far-reaching and all-pervading national bank trust. He had read an amendment providing that it should be unlawful for any bank, under its provisions, to combine with any other bank for the purpose of increasing or restricting the coin in circulation, credit or interest. That amendment, Mr. Dearmond said, if adopted, might help to prevent the friction of the scheme in this bill. By this bill the government would issue no more money. Its issue was to be turned over by it to the banks, so long as they operated the power in the interest of themselves and the Republican party.

Exciting and Dramatic.

The scenes attending the close of the debate were exciting and dramatic. When Dearmon concluded, but twenty minutes remained before the debate was to close under the rule. Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, protested against what he assumed to be the purpose of the Republicans to take that time to close the debate. He demanded the regular order. Thereupon Mr. Grosvenor, Republican, Ohio, got the floor for five minutes, which he occupied in taunting the Democrats for their evident desire to abandon free silver at 16 to 1. During the six day's debate, he said, the House had heard no arguments for free silver, and he humorously hailed it as a sign of the coming regeneration of the party. In conclusion he said that out of the debate had come the settled conviction on both sides of the House that the enactment of the pending measure would put into law the policy which had governed and guided the country for nearly thirty years. Mr. Richardson indignantly denied Mr. Grosvenor's assertion of the proposed abandonment of the issue of free silver. He said that if the gentleman from Ohio had followed the debate he must have heard some strong speeches in favor of free silver. He called attention to the fact that but one section of the bill had been read, and charged that the special order which did not permit the offering of a substitute or a motion to recommit, had been framed for the especial purpose of preventing the offering of a free silver substitute.

"Does the gentleman desire to offer such a substitute?" asked Mr. Overstreet, Republican, Indiana.

"The rule was framed to prevent one from doing so and the debate has been deliberately conducted with the same end in view," responded Mr. Richardson. The Republicans laughed derisively as Mr. Richardson went on to characterize Mr. Grosvenor's covert charge as a cheap attempt at political capital which was beneath the dignity of a great party. He inveighed against the hypocrisy of the other side. "You tied our hands," said he, "in the beginning. This bill is a bill to establish the gold standard and break down bimetallism forever. The free coinage of silver is not involved."

Then Mr. Dalzell, Republican, Pennsylvania, took the floor, and in half a minute the House was in a furore. He pointed out that any Democrat could have demanded the reading of the bill, and alluding to Mr. Richardson's charge of hypocrisy, he waked the echoes as he said, "I hurl back the charge. "You do not dare," he shouted, shaking his finger defiantly at the other side, "not one of you dares or would dare, if you had the opportunity, to offer a free coinage amendment and risk a vote upon it. No gentleman on the other side is so much a leader that he would dare expect to rally his cohorts upon that proposition."

A dozen Democrats jumped to their feet as Mr. Dalzell concluded. Mr. Bailey, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Sulzer of New York, and Mr. Williams of Mississippi, were all clamoring for recognition, but Mr. Hepburn, Republican, Iowa, who was in the chair, recognized Mr. Dolliver. The Iowan looked across the aisle when order had been restored. "Before I begin," said he blandly, "I will agree to yield the floor if any gentleman on the other side desires to offer a free coinage amendment."

Almost half the Democratic side seemed to rise en masse. Mr. Bailey was foremost. "I ask it," he called. "I ask it," "I ask it," shouted others amid wild cheers on the Democratic side. "Dozens of us ask the privilege," cried Mr. Williams, "we challenge you for the opportunity."

Rushing down one of the side aisles came Mr Driggs, Democrat, of New York, shouting, "I object," "I object."

"Does the gentleman want any further evidence," called Mr. Williams. The confusion was indescribable. Mr. Hepburn pounded with his gavel while the Republicans seemed to be enjoying the scene of discord Mr. Dolliver had aroused.

"Your bluff is called," shouted Mr. Williams at Mr. Dolliver, while the Democrats cheered lustily. Meantime the hour of 5 o'clock arrived and the committee rose and reported the bill to the House without amendment.

Thereupon Mr. Overstreet, asked unanimous consent that the special order under which the House was operating be so amended as to allow a substitute providing for the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 to be offered. Instantly Mr. Driggs, of New York, who had not relinquished his position on the right of the chair, shouted, "I object."

Mr. Levy, Democrat, New York, from the rear of the hall also objected.

"Objection is made," announced the Speaker, amid a shriek of Republican laughter.

The House then adjourned until Monday.

NEWS OF THE NAVY.

The Brooklyn Arrived at Manila—The New Orleans Four Days Behind.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The Brooklyn arrived at Manila to-day, winning easily the long race from this country out, which she has been running with the New Orleans. The New Orleans sailed from Singapore to-day for Manila, and so she is about four days behind the Brooklyn. The Detroit arrived at Santa Marta, on the western border of Venezuela, on the 10th instant, where she will protect American interests in the event of a clash between Venezuela and Columbia. The battleship Massachusetts has been ordered into reserve at League Island. Her men are wanted to supply the crew for the battleship Kentucky, about to be turned over to the government.

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Golf Tournament.

A tournament was begun yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock on the links of the Cape Fear Golf Club at Hilton Park. The weather was cool and bracing and sixteen players enthusiastically entered into the contest. The preliminary rounds of a gentlemen and ladies' singles were played, and the finals will be played next Wednesday afternoon, beginning at 2:30 P. M.

There will be a prize for the successful lady and one for the best gentleman golfer. The lady's prize will be a beautiful painting in water colors and the gentleman's prize will be a book, *The Golfer's Alphabet*, which is handsomely illustrated by A.B. Frost. The prizes are on exhibition at Messrs. C. W. Yates & Co 's book store.

For the benefit of the golfers the trolley cars will run to the links Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, beginning at 2:30 o'clock.

The Lettuce Market.

Messrs. B. S. Jones & Co., wholesale commission merchants, New York, yesterday telegraphed their agent here, Mr. J. W. Barnes, Jr.: "The market is very short, on good lettuce. Four to six dollars per barrel is offered. Ship heavy." These figures are an advance over the prevailing prices during the past week and will come as welcome news to the truck growers, who have an unusually large and fine crop this season. Good shipments continue to go forward by express from this section.

Myths of Greece and Rome.

Rehearsals are going on apace under the capable direction of Miss Cammie Lord for the presentation of "Myths of Greece and Rome" in the Opera House next Wednesday and Thursday evenings, December 20th and 21st. The programme embraces many points of interest and the entertainment promises to be largely attended and a through success from every view features. As before stated, the proceeds are for the benefit of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, and this fact alone should ensure a very large attendance.

Rehder's Big Store.

The mammoth department store of Messrs. J. H. Rehder & Co., 615, 617 and 619 North Fourth street, is chock-a-block with goods for the holiday trade. Everything imaginable has been laid in store, and the company has 26 salesmen and saleslades to wait on the patrons of the popular establishment. Goods will be delivered promptly or laid aside for delivery. The store will be open every evening till 9 o'clock.

CONVICT ESCAPED.

From the Penitentiary at Raleigh—One of a Gang of Safe Blowers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., December 16.—Another noted convict has escaped from the penitentiary here. His name is Wright, and he belongod to a notorious band of safe-blowers and postoffice robbers, who were bagged in the Southern States about two years ago.

All of the gang, some dozen or fifteen in number, were sent to the penitentiary, and all of them, with one exception, have escaped.

Wright made his escape Thursday night. Exactly how he got out is not known. He was in the hospital, however, and it is supposed he went in the way he tried to go once before—by hiding under the shirt factory and scaling the wall during the night.

BELLIGERENT RIGHTS FOR BOERS.

Joint Resolution Introduced in the House by Sulzer of New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 16.—Representative Sulzer, of New York, has introduced a joint resolution, declaring that a state of war exists in South Africa and according belligerent rights to the Transvaal government. It closes with the following paragraph:

"The Congress of the United States protest and remonstrate against the barbarous manner in which the war has been conducted by Great Britain, and the President is hereby authorized to take such steps as may be expedient in his judgment, to secure an observance of the laws of war as recognized by all civilized nations, and bring about an honorable peace."

WARM WIRELETS.

It is expected that the Fifteenth U. S. infantry will leave Cuba about the 30th inst. That regiment will go to New York and be distributed between Governor's Island and Plattsburg.

An investigation of the rights of former Senator Quay, of Pennsylvania, to a seat in the Senate by appointment of the Governor of Pennsylvania, was begun yesterday by the Senate committee on privileges and elections.

The member of the citizens' committee whose efforts resulted in the selection of Philadelphia for the National Republican Convention have strated a movement to have the Republican national committee make that city its headquarters.

A dispatch from Caracas, Venezeula, via Haytien cables, says: The government troops yesterday completely defeated those of General Hernandez near Tocuyo, a town in the State of Barquesimeto, thirty-four miles from Trujilo.

Plans have been perfected for the erection in Tampa, Fla., of a big sugar mill and refinery. It is the intention of the men behind the enterprise to make Tampa not only the market for the sugar cane of Florida but to bring the crude article from Cuba and refine it.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, increase $166,300; loans, decrease $5,054,400; specie, decrease $2,738,500; legal tenders, increase $1,768,500; deposits, decrease $4,545,200; circulation, decrease $346,000. The banks now hold $7,025,825 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered intensely for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg, but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in ten days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Burns, Boils, Pain or Piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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N. C. SUPREME COURT.

Will Adjourn Saturday for the Holidays. Cases On the Docket—Other News From Raleigh.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 16.

The Supreme Court to-day completed its docket for the present session. Next Saturday the court will adjourn for the holidays. It will not convene again until the first Monday in February, opening of the Spring term.

There are no end-of-the docket cases at the Fall term, except State cases. So next week only the five State cases left over will be argued, and one political case that has been advanced on the docket. This case is Theophilus White vs. State Auditor and Treasurer for salary as Shell Fish Commissioner. It will be called Tuesday. The State cases are:

State vs. Battle, (Second district).
State vs. Denton, (Third district).
State vs. Jefferson, (Third district).
State vs. Ford, (Seventh district).
State vs. Brown, (Eighth district).

There are now some forty or fifty cases now on the docket that have been argued at this session, but have not yet been decided. This unusually large number is due to the fact that there have been more political cases argued in the court this session than ever before known, and they have consumed much of the opinion-writing time of the judges. Big batches of opinions are, however, expected to be handed down this week.

At this term, also, there were quite a number of cases—notably from the Third and Fifth districts—that could not, for lack of time, be argued.

Printers' Organization.

The book and job printers here are organizing to fight the new freight rate on book paper, such as is crated or framed for shipment. On this paper the freight rate has been advanced about 130 per cent., or from 38 to 67 cents from Baltimore here. A complaint in regard to the matter has already been filed with the Corporation Commission.

New Cotton Mill.

The site for what will be one of the largest cotton mills in the State is now being surveyed at what is known as Smiley's Falls, a magnificient water power on the Cape Fear river about 4 miles from Dunn, in Harnett county. The mill will cost between half a million and a million dollars and will be operated entirely by water power. The men behind the enterprise are Mr. John F. Smiley and the Dukes of Durham. The engineers find that at Smiley's Falls there is a fall of 29 feet in three miles.

Governor Candler, of Georgia, has designated John W. Rogersa, Pinkerton detective, to go to Tangiers Morocco, and bring to Atlanta Thomas Hunter, formerly auditor of the Atlanta and West Point Railway Company, who recently left Atlanta with a large discrepancy in his accounts.

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BELLAMY'S PECULIAR CASE.

Dockery Having Admitted Defeat, Another Election May be Held.

[*News and Observer.*]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—Mr. Linney tells me that the Bellamy contested election case is one of the most peculiar in his recollection. He says as there is no contestant, Mr. Dockery having admitted that he was not elected, the only course open, if Mr. Bellamy loses his case, is to declare the election null and void, and order another one. In my judgment, Mr. Bellamy stands a better chance of being seated than Mr. Crawford does of retaining his seat. Mr. Pearson is here and has employed the ablest and shrewdest lawyer at the bar of the District, Jeremiah Wilson, to conduct his case.

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nov 21 tf D&W

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